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FOR: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR VERIFYING THE INTEGRITY OF

THE CONDITION AND OPERATION OF A PIPETTING DEVICE

FOR MANIPULATING FLUID SAMPLES

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The above-captioned application was filed on February 13, 2002. To this date, no communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application. Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application.

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